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Judge Hewitt was appointed a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims on October 22, 1998 and entered duty on November 10, 1998. Judge Hewitt is a member of the Bar of the Supreme Judicial Court of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts. She graduated from Harvard Law School, with honors, in 1978.

Judge Hewitt served as General Counsel of the United States General Services Administration (GSA) from 1993 to 1998. As GSA's General Counsel, she oversaw the legal activities and responsibilities of the agency, served as GSA's chief ethics official, and served as chief legal advisor to the Administrator and other GSA officials. While at GSA, Judge Hewitt served as a government member of the Administrative Conference of the United States and as a member of the President's Interagency Council on Women. She also served as a continuing education lecturer on procurement law reform, procurement integrity, alternative dispute resolution, and government law office management.

Before entering government service in 1993, Judge Hewitt practiced from 1978 to 1993 with the Boston law firm of Hill & Barlow. She was elected a partner in 1985, and served as chair of Hill & Barlow's real estate department from 1987 to 1993. While with Hill & Barlow, Judge Hewitt served on charitable, civic and professional boards and committees and as a continuing education lecturer in real estate law. Judge Hewitt served as a Council Member of the Real Property Section of the Massachusetts Bar Association from 1983-1986 and as a member of the Executive Committee and chair of the Practice Standards Committee of the Massachusetts Conveyancers Association from 1990-1992.

Judge Hewitt received the A.B. degree from Cornell University in 1966. After college, Judge Hewitt studied at the Union Theological Seminary in New York City. She received the M. Phil. degree in studies focusing on religion and education. She was ordained to the diaconate of the Episcopal Church in 1972 and to the Episcopal priesthood in 1974. Judge Hewitt served from 1973-1975 as assistant professor of religion and education at Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts. She has also served as lecturer at the Union Theological Seminary and, from 1967 to 1969, as administrator of the Cornell/Hofstra Upward Bound Program at the Union Settlement House in East Harlem. Judge Hewitt is the author or co-author of more than two dozen publications on legal and religious topics.

Judge Hewitt is an accomplished long distance race walker. She has competed in many 40-kilometer and other distance events over the past 15 years; she won a U.S. national race walking medal in 1987 and has won many national masters medals. She has walked more than a dozen marathons including the Boston, New York and United States Marine Corps Marathons. She is also an avid hiker of the National Park trails of the American West.